

Applications are now being accepted for the 2016 Building Entrepreneurial Economies (BEE) grant program through Oct. 15, 2015. BEE grants provide resources to micro-business development organizations, local governments, planning district commissions and other nonprofit organizations that deliver services to entrepreneurs in new and original ways.

Organizations may apply for up to \$7,500 for a planning grant and up to \$75,000 for an implementation grant. Planning grants allow organizations to assess market demand for services, research innovative means of providing business services and identify resource gaps. Implementation grants will help communities and organizations to implement business development strategies that result in business start-ups, expansions and job creation. This year, DHCD has identified four areas of focus for BEE funding.

Applications must be submitted in [CAMS](#) by 11:59 p.m. on Oct. 15, 2015.